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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
THOMAS BECKERT, ET AL. : EXAMINER: SHEIKH, HUMERA N.  
SERIAL NO: 10/501,236 :  
FILED: JULY 12, 2004 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1618  
FOR: PHARMACEUTICAL :  
FORMULATION FOR THE ACTIVE :  
INGREDIENT BUDESONIDE :

RESPONSE TO THE REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

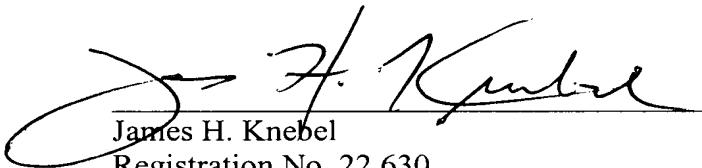
SIR:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed March 28, 2008, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I: Claims 1-13 drawn to a pharmaceutical formulation and the following species: 1a) Claims 2-16, 2a) pellets in capsule, and 3a) capsule.

Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified application is now in condition for examination on the merits, and early notice of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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